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1. [redacted] there were three submarines, 20 small naval vessels, and one large naval vessel in the middle basin at Kronshtadt. The large vessel is depicted in sketch no. 1. It was a gray flush-decked vessel about 200 to 225 meters long. It was armed with a machine gun on the bow, four guns in rotating mounts forward, and at least six more such guns and a machine gun aft. The twenty smaller vessels were apparently all of the same type, an example of which is presented in sketch no. 2. [redacted] It was about 50 meters long, armed with a machine gun in the bow, and two machine guns aft. The guns were without shields. Sketch no. 3 illustrates the submarines. [redacted] The distance of observation prevented reading of the numbers. 25X1
2. Pilots came aboard unescorted foreign vessels at Leningrad Lightship and left the ship after mooring. After the ship moored, the inspection team, composed of two soldiers and three civilians, came aboard. The soldiers wore green uniforms consisting of a tunic with a high collar, completely closed in front, and riding britches tucked into high leather boots. Their shoulder-boards were red with a yellow border. They wore flat caps with a red star in the middle of the front. The civilians were a doctor, a customs official, and a woman. Two guards were posted on the pier. The crew list was compared with the muster books and shore passes were made out. Cabins and other spaces were not inspected. Cameras and firearms were sealed as was the radio transmitter. Amounts of Dutch and other currency were noted; the doctor asked about the health of the ship's company, and the woman asked about provisions. None of the inspecting team accepted drinks, cigarettes, or anything else. 25X1
3. Ship's personnel could go about in Leningrad freely. Shore passes were checked upon leaving the ship. [redacted] 25X1

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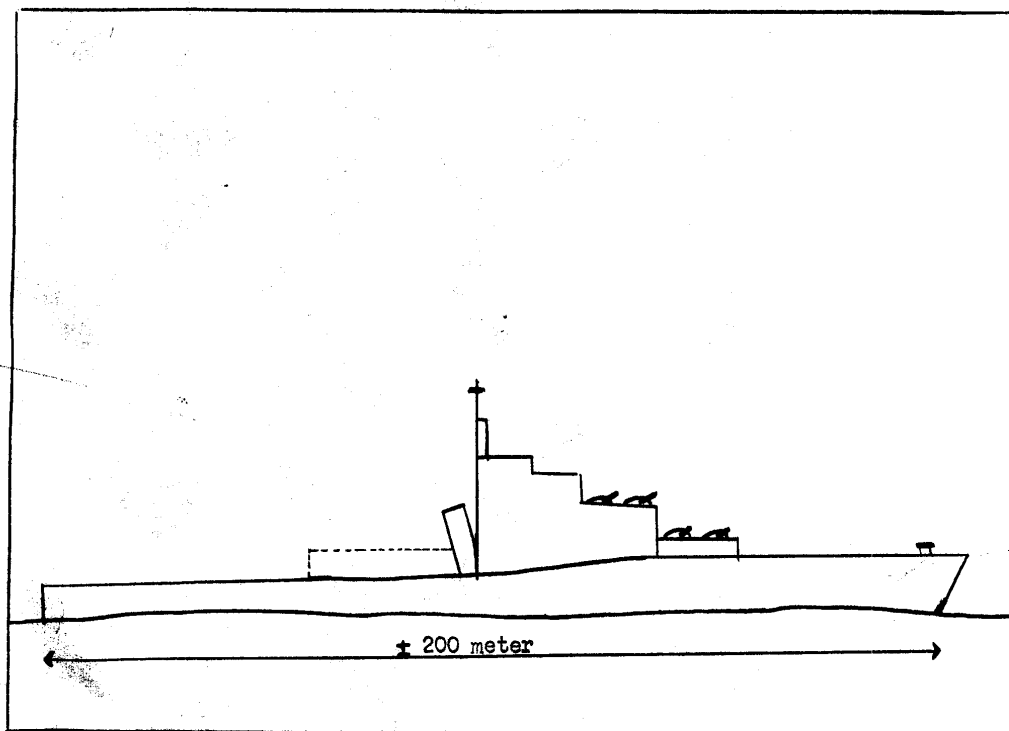
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4. There was a large warship at the pier at the Baltic Shipyard. Its hull was about 200 meters long, as estimated in relation to ship. The vessel was almost finished. 25X1
5. On the pier at the east side of the Morskoy Canal, there were several electric swinging cranes of the type shown in sketch no. 4. Their lifting capacity was five tons. 25X1
 were operated mostly by women. In Kanonerskiy Shipyard, there was a large plant consisting of a complex of new buildings with a total length of about 500 meters. No machine noise emanated from the buildings nor was any transport of goods observed. There were about 400 people working in the factory. They lived in wooden barracks in the southern part of the shipyard. 25X1
6. There was a very large building located at the intersection of Fontanka and Libavskaya ulitsa. (Shaded block on sketch no. 5) this building was the "Navy Admiralty Building". 25X1
7. The inspection team, upon departure, consisted only of two soldiers. They checked to see that everyone was aboard and collected the shore passes. Six members of one crew were selected at random and a spot check of the currency in their possession was made. No check for stowaways was made.

Sketch No. 1:Large Naval Vessel at Kronshtadt

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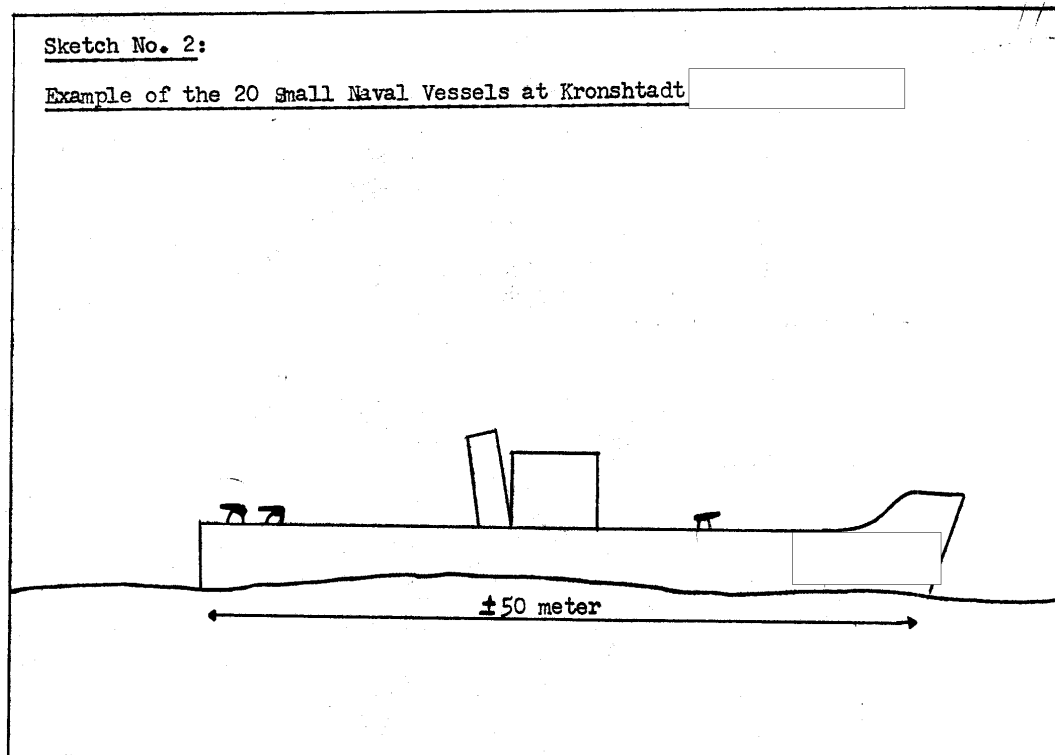
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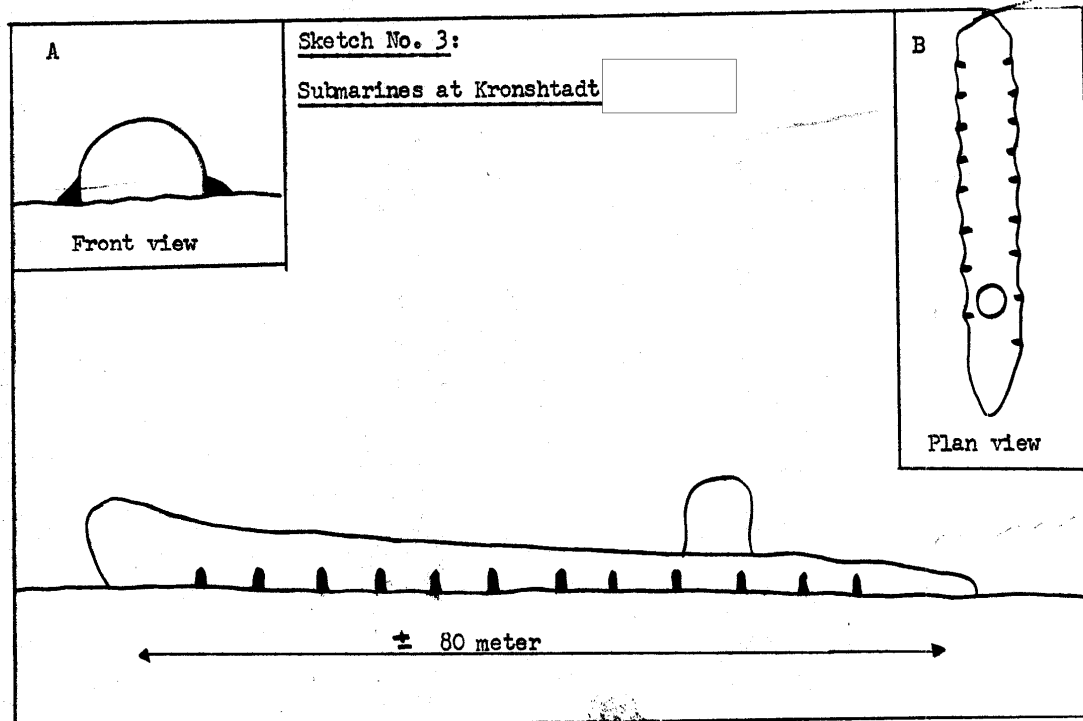
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Example of the 20 Small Naval Vessels at Kronshtadt

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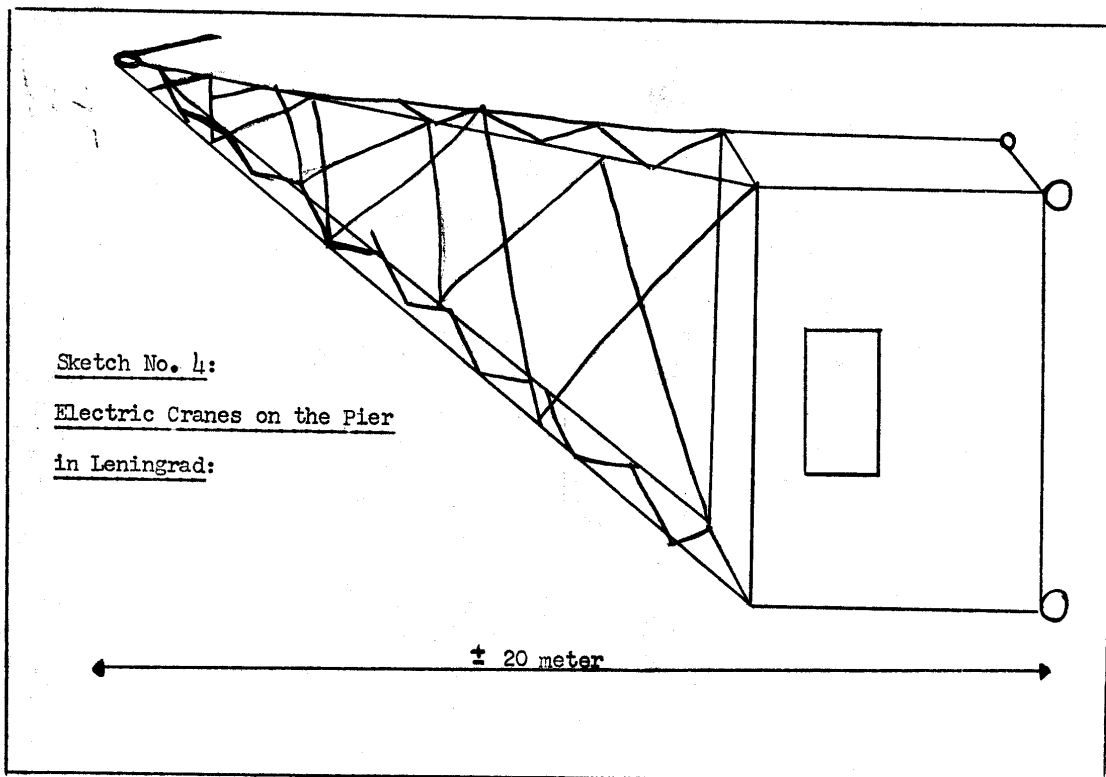
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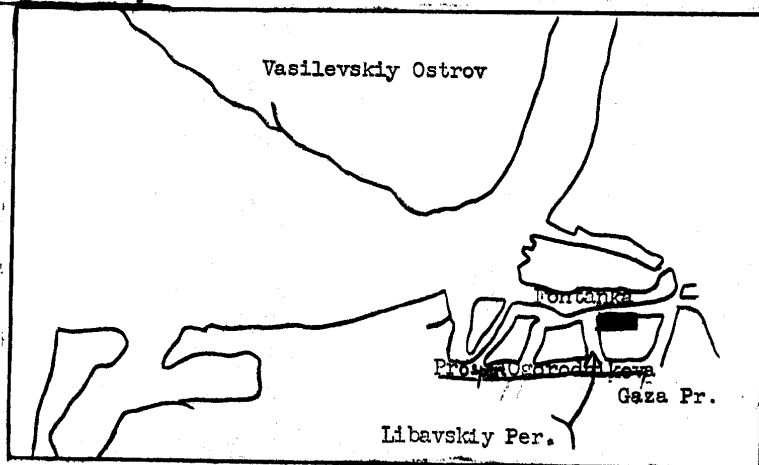
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Sketch No. 5:

Location of Admiralty:



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